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June 01, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
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Dear Supervisors:

## ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#41 JUNE 1, 2010

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### **ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY SERVICES ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-11 (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (3 VOTES)**

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve funding for the continuation of public transit services through the Antelope Valley Transit Authority for the residents of the unincorporated County of Los Angeles areas of the Antelope Valley for Fiscal Year 2010-11.

#### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Find that this activity is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve the continuation of the public transit services in the Antelope Valley for Fiscal Year 2010-11.
3. Approve the disbursement of \$995,000 from the Fifth Supervisorial District's proposed Fiscal Year 2010-11 Proposition A Local Return Transit Program to finance the County of Los Angeles' share of the costs of the transit services.
4. Approve prepayment to the Antelope Valley Transit Authority of the County of Los Angeles' share of the cost of the transit services on a quarterly basis.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended action is to provide for the continuation of public transit services including fixed route, commuter, and dial-a-ride services for residents of the unincorporated County of Los Angeles (County) areas of the Antelope Valley for Fiscal Year 2010-11.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). This action provides service to the public in a responsive manner and improves the mobility of the unincorporated County residents in the Antelope Valley.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The total cost of the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA) services is estimated to be \$48,334,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11. The County's jurisdictional share of the cost for these services is estimated to be \$9,667,000. The AVTA will be pursuing funding assistance such as various Federal Transit Administration grants, State grants, Proposition A Discretionary grants, and Proposition A Incentive grants for these services. Any grant funds received by the AVTA will help offset the County's share of the cost. Therefore, the County's jurisdictional share of the cost, less grants and farebox revenue, for these services for Fiscal Year 2010-11 is estimated to be \$995,000. The necessary funds for the County's share of these services are available in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program, included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2010-11 Transit Enterprise Fund Budget.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

On February 25, 1992, the Board authorized the Director of Public Works to arrange for a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between the County, the City of Lancaster, and the City of Palmdale creating an agency to be known as the AVTA to provide for planning, contracting, and operating the public transit services in the Antelope Valley. The Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement was established on April 1, 1992. The operation and financing of the AVTA will continue to be governed under the auspices of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed activity is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 21080(b)(10) of the Public Resources Code. This exemption provides for the implementation of passenger or commuter transit services.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This action provides for the continuation of the current services and improves the mobility of the unincorporated County residents who live in the Antelope Valley.

**CONCLUSION**

Upon approval, please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER  
Director

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c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office